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<b>EASTERN</b>	DISTRICT	OF NE	<b>W YORK</b>

Case No.18cv3857

DISH NETWORK LLC

**RANA DEFENDANTS RESPONSE TO** ORDER TO SHOWCAUSE

Plaintiff

Vs.

GOYAL GROUP INC. and CHANDRA GOYAL D/b/a Goval Group, RANA TECHNOLOGY INC., and MOHAMMAD RANA d/b/a Family Phone, ABC1 NYC INC. RS NYC1, INC.ABC WIRELESS 2INC. NEARAJ BHALLA, LOMANTHANG, INC., And SONAM SANGPO d/b/a ABC Wireless NYC, ABC1 NYC INC. and SONAM SANGPO d/b/a ABC Wireless NYC, Defendants

ATTORNEY DECLARATION

I, Madhureema Gupta declare as, follows:

- I am an attorney for the defendant Rana Technology Inc and Mohammed Rana. I am 1. licensed to practice law in New York. I make this declaration in Response to Order to Show cause why sanction including default should not be entered against Rana for noncompliance of court order to plaintiff request to production of document based on the files maintained in office and information provided to me by the defendant and personal knowledge.
- On January 18, 2019, the court made order for document production on a telephonic 2. hearing.

SANCTION INCLUDING DEFAULT SHOULD NOT BE ENTERED AGAINST RANA TECHNOLOGY INC., and RANA TECNOLOGY INC. BECAUSE THE DEFENDANTS COMPLIED WITH THE COURT ORDER TO PLAINTIS'S REQUEST FOR DOCUMENT **PRODUCTION** 

3. The defendant Rana Technology Inc. and Mohammad Rana as per court order dated Jan 18, 2019, responded to plaintiff's request for document production.

- 4. The defendants served their respond to plaintiff attorney Mr. Ferguson via email on February 2, 2019 at 3A.M with few hours delay because the defendant's counsel was having problem with the scanner.
- 5. The defendant came to undersigned office on February 1, 2019 with all the documents. and the undersigned prepared the response to Plaintiff interrogatories and plaintiff's demand for document production. Please see defendant's **affidavit Exhibit 1.**

The undersigned emailed the defendants response and the entire document she received from the defendant to the plaintiff attorney Stephan Ferguson at

Stephen.Ferguson@hnbllc.com on Feb 2, 2019 at 3AM around midnight of February 1,

2019, few hours delay due to scanning problem. The defendants apologize for few hours delay.

6, The undersigned was trying to email the documents to plaintiff attorney since evening of February 1, 2019, However, the undersigned was having problems in scanning the documents because there were a lot of pages to be scanned in one document. Finally, the undersigned was able to scan the defendant's response to document production in two sets and emailed the documents to plaintiff as per its request for document production on February 2, 2019, at 3AM and requested the plaintiff to accept the defendant's response because the few hours delay happened due to scanner problem. Please see Exhibit 2, 2 A, and 2 B, the Defendant's response to Plaintiff's request for document production.

The undersigned emailed to plaintiff's counsel Mr. Ferguson, the defendant's response to interrogatories and the documents production, with two attachments on 2/2/2019 at 3AM. Attachment 1 consists Exhibits 1to 7, and Attachment 2 consists Exhibits 8, in total 69 pages of documents was emailed to plaintiff's counsel Mr. Ferguson on 2/2/2019 at 3AM.

The defendants provided the plaintiff all the documents the defendants have as per court order. THE DEFENDANTS COMPLIED WITH THE COURT ORDER OF DOCUMENT PRODUCTION.

7. The defendant served the plaintiff the followings document on 3AM of February 2, 2019 via email to plaintiff's attorney Mr. Ferguson at <a href="mailto:Stephen.Ferguson@hnbllc.com">Stephen.Ferguson@hnbllc.com</a> along with response to interrogatories. Which was received by Mr., Ferguson.

The internet prints out of email to plaintiff attorney Mr. Ferguson from the undersigned Gmail account EXHIBIT 2 along with the 69 pages of defendants' response which was emailed to the plaintiff counsel Mr. Ferguson is attached herewith, as EXHIBIT 2A AND EXHIBIT 2B.

The Exhibit 2A AND 2B which was emailed to plaintiff's counsel on 2/2/2019 at 3AM midnight of 2/1/2019, in response to plaintiff's request for document production consists the following documents:

- 1. RANA TECHNOLOGY INC. FILING RECEIPT, (as Exhibit 1)
- 2. PAY PAL RECEIPT (as Exhibit 2)
- 3. INTERNETS PRINT OUT MOHAMMAD FACEBOOK ACCOUTNT. (as Exhibit 3)
- 4. QUARTERLY ST100 SHOWING THAT THE RANA TECNILOGY INC. WAS DISSOLVE (as Exhibit 4)
- 5. STATEMENT OF RANA TECNOLOGY INC. (as EXHIBIT 5)
- 6. MOHAMMAD RANA TAXRETURN AS SELF EMPLOYED (as EXHIBIT 6)
- 7. BILLU BARBUR CORP AND BILLU BARBER CORPORATION FILING RECEIPT.
  AND BILLU BARBER CORP CLOSED. (as EXHIBIT 7)

8. MR. RANA BANK STATEMENT (as EXHIBIT 8).

BASED ON THE ABOVE FACTS THE DEFENDANT RANA TECHNOLOGY INC AND MOHAMMAD RANA COMPLIED WITH THE COURT ORDER TO PLAINTIFF REQUEST OF DOCUMENT PRODUCTION, THE DEFENDANT PROVIDED THE PLAINTIFF ALL THE DOCUMENTS THE DEFENDANT HAD IN HIS POSSESSION, THEREFORE THE SANCTION SHOULD NOT BE ISSUED AGAINST THE ABOVE DEFENDANTS FOR NONCOMPLIANCE OF COURT ORDER, BECAUSE THE DEFENDANTS COMPLIED WITH THE COURT ORDER.

9. DEFAULT SHOULD NOT BE ENTERED AGAINST THE DEFENDANT RANA
TECHNOLOGY INC. AND MOHAMMAD RANA

WHILE THE DEFENDANT DID NOT FILE A RESPONSE WITH THE COURT ON TIME. THE DEFENDANTS CONDUCT WERE EXECUSABLE BECAUSE

THE DEFENDANTS DID NOT ANSWER THE AMENDED COMPLAINT IN GOOD FAITH BECAUSE THE DEFENDANTS WERE HAVING SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE PLAINTIFF

The defendant Mohamad Rana and Rana Technology Inc. did not answer the amended complaint as the defendant was having ongoing settlement negotiations with the plaintiff. The defendants were hoping to enter into settlement agreement with the plaintiff, therefore the defendant did not answer the amended complaint in good faith.

The defendants are still having ongoing settlement negotiation with the plaintiff. The defendants are e positive for entering into settlement agreement with the plaintiff soon.

## 10. DELAY IN RESPONSE TO AMEWNDED COMPLAINT WILL NOT CAUSE PREJUDICE TO THE PLAINTIFF

The Defendants delay in responding was not culpable. The defendant has meritorious defenses, and plaintiff will not suffer any prejudice in pursuing its claim if plaintiff certification for default against Rana Technology Inc. and Mohammad Rana is denied.

The plaintiff addition to the amended complaint was not related to the defendant. The defendant already answered to the plaintiff first complaint which relates to the defendant. The plaintiff had all the information and denial of the defendant regarding their issues in the complaint. The defendant responded to plaintiff interrogatories and served the plaintiff all the documents requested by the plaintiff and which are relevant to plaintiff alleged allegations on 2/2//2019 via email to plaintiff attorney Stephan Ferguson. The plaintiff received all the discovery information which were relevant to plaintiff's claim against the defendant Mohammad Rana and Rana Technology Inc., Therefore delay in filing response to plaintiff amended complaint will not prejudice the plaintiff.

Prejudice is determined by whether a party will be indeed in perusing a claim. See Knoebber, 244 f. 3D AT 701. The fact that a party may be denied a quick victory is not sufficient to any relief from a default judgment. Bateman v. United States postal

service. 231F.3d 1220, 1225(9<sup>th</sup> Cir 2000). The delay must result in tangible harm such as loss in evidence, increased difficulties of discovery, or granted opportunity of fraud collusion. Audio Toys, 2007 US Dist LEXIS AT 9.

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The defendant responded to plaintiff interrogatories and served the plaintiff all the documents which the defendant had in his possession, as per plaintiff requests. The document which was served to plaintiff is relevant to plaintiff's alleged claim against the defendant. Here the discovery is almost complete. The plaintiff will not be prejudiced by delay in filing answer to amended complaint, where the addition to amended complaint does not relate to the claim against the defendant. The plaintiff will not suffer tangible harm and be prejudiced with delay.

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Allowing the case to move forward on merits after only a short delay, where the defendant answered plaintiff interrogatories and provided plaintiff all the documents as per plaintiff request for document production should not prejudice the plaintiff's ability to legitimate the case.

11. PLAINTIFF WILL NOT SUFFER PREJUDICE IF THE DEFAULT IS NOT

ENTERED AFGAINST THE DEFENDANT BECAUSE PARTIES REACHED

SETTLEMENT AGGREEMENT

AFTER ON-GOING TELEPHONIC CONVERSATION AND EMAIL COMMINICATION. THE PLAINTIFF DISH AND DEFENDANT RANA TECHNOLOGY INC. MOHAMMAD RANA REACHED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TODAY ON MARCH 13, 2019. AN EMAIL PRINTOUT RELATING TO REACHING SETTLEMENT AGGREMENT IS ATTACHED HEREWITH AS EXHIBIT 3.

## CONCLUSION

Based on the above reasons, the defendant request that this court should not sanction the defendant Mohammad Rana and Rana Technology Inc because the defendants complied with the court order of production of documents to plaintiff request. And the default should not be entered against the defendant Rana Technology Inc and Mohammad Rana BECAUSE PLAINTIFF DISH AND DEFENDANT RANA TECHNOLOGY INC. AND MOHAMMAD RANA REACHED A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT. And any further relief as the court may deem just and proper.

Dated 3/13/2019

/s/ Madhureema Gupta

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<i>To:</i>	
Service of a copy of the within	is hereby admitted.
Dated:	

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT

IS NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT IS PART OF THE LITIGATION BAG WHICH TO BE FILED IN COURT) PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

That the within is a (certified) true copy of a

Entered in the office of the clerk of the within named court on

That an Order of which the within is a true copy will be presented for settlement to the Hon.